

MEDIA RELEASE

FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING EXERCISE

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The Santa Barbara City Fire Department will be conducting a training exercise on May 14th and is inviting the media to partner in the experience. The fire department recruit academy has the unique opportunity to conduct roof operations and ventilation training utilizing a residential structure donated for this purpose by the property owner.

The media is invited to view this 60 minute training exercise and enjoy lunch provided by the homeowner. The training will begin at 11a.m. on Tuesday May 14. Please arrive 15 minutes early, as parking is limited. The training site is located at 1233 Mission Ridge Road. Turn onto Green Ridge Lane to access the property. You will be directed where to park.

Santa Barbara City recruit firefighters will be performing various tasks, including chainsaw ventilation, under the guidance of fire academy instructors. While the fire department training facility offers training props for ventilation drills, having the opportunity to utilize an actual structure adds an element of realism that is difficult to replicate. We are extremely grateful to the homeowner for this opportunity. The property owner, as well as fire department training officers and PIO's will be on site and available for interviews.



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